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THE FOLLOWING REPEAT GENEVA 8859 (NODIS) SENT ACTION SECSTATE 08 NOV

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FOR SCHAUFELE FROM WISNER

DEPT PLEASE REPEAT TO LONDON

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: PFOR RH UK

SUBJ: RHODESIA CONFERENCE: RICHARD'S RETURN TO LONDON

1. IVOR RICHARD RECEIVED AT ABOUT NOON ON NOVEMBER 8
A REQUEST THAT HE RETURN TO LONDON OVERNIGHT. HE WILL
BRIEF THE CABINET ON EVENTS IN GENEVA AND GIVE HIS
PERSONAL ASSESSMENT OF PROSPECTS. HE WILL RETURN TO
GENEVA MID-DAY NOVEMBER 9.

2. THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF RICHARD'S TRIP WILL NOT BE MADE

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UNTIL 5:30 LOCAL TIME. THE BRITISH MISSION HAS URGED US

TO READ NOTHING SPECIAL INTO RICHARD'S VISIT TO LONDON.
THE REQUEST TOOK RICHARD BY SURPRISE. RICHARD DOES NOT
ANTICIPATE ANY NEW INSTRUCTIONS.

3. THE BRITISH IN GENEVA ARE UNDERSTANDABLY CONCERNED
BY WHAT THEY EXPECT WILL BE THE PRESS REACTION. THEY
ARE EVEN MORE CONCERNED ABOUT HOW THE NATIONALISTS WILL
ASSESS RICHARD'S DEPARTURE. THEY HAVE BEEN MEETING
AMONG THEMSELVES ALL DAY BUT NO NEW PROPOSALS HAVE
EMERGED. THE NATIONALISTS MAY DECIDE THEY NEED TO
NOTHING FURTHER UNTIL RICHARD HAS RETURNED. CATTO

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